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For METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR THE CONTROLLED  
APPLICATION OF FLUID PRESSURE TO A LOAD,  
ESPECIALLY FOR PRESSURE TESTING PIPE

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There is enclosed a copy of a European Search Report in the corresponding application EP 03 01 4013 and each of the six references cited therein. A PTO 1449 form and copies of the references are likewise provided.

Since the Search Report is not in the English language, the following summary is supplied.

FR 2 689 571 is cited in Category X: of special significance taken alone with respect to examining claims 1 and 2 for the entire document.

United States Patent 4,021,156 is cited in Category X for column 3, line 35 - column 8, line 61 and FIGS. 1 to 8 with respect to examined claims 1 and 2.

GB 2 175 352 is in Category X for page 1, lines 5 to 39 and lines 75 through page 3, lines 106 and FIGS. 1 to 7 with respect to claims 1 and 2.

United States Patent 4,666,374 is cited for column 1, lines 11 to 58, column 1, line 61 through column 2, line 23, column 3, line 13 to column 11, line 30 and FIGS. 1 to 7 in category X against examined claims 1 and 2.

SU 717,595 is cited in Category A: technological background for its abstract and FIGS. 1, 2.

SU 1,029,036 is cited with reference to claim 1 in Category A for its abstract and FIG. 1;

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Consideration of the references supplied is requested.

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